

SWARCer News

March 08, 2015



Public Service Through Amateur Radio

South Wake ARC's primary purpose is to further the Amateur Radio Service through programs, activities, and education, in order to promote the radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency of our members. Further, it shall be our purpose to support the welfare of our community through public service including radio communications for emergency situations and public events, and through providing information, training, and assistance to individuals or organizations with an interest in the Amateur Radio Service.

NC QSO PARTY at the American Legion

The SWARC group held its own QSO party on March 1, 2015. Thanks to Mike, KD4OKR a station was setup at the American Legion located at 6400 Johnson Pond Rd in Fuquay Varina. The NC QSO party is where you try to contact as many NC counties as possible. There are 100 counties in NC and it is a blast to compete with other stations to see how many counties you can contact. Stations from everywhere will be competing for contacts in NC. Yesterday (Saturday) Mike, KD4OKR Tim, W4TAR Darrell, KI4GVZ and Steve, KA0GMY visited the American Legion post and installed an antenna for use during the QSO party. It was discovered that Mike was a dead eye with the sling shot while Tim and Darrell were terrific at pulling the ropes that raised the antenna. Of course none of it could have been done without proper supervision which was provided by Steve.

Station set up was the Kenwood TS2000



LE an auto tuner with the Astron RS35A power supply. Antenna was a 80 meter dipole. Sunday things got started around

10 am with a bang. 22 contacts in 30 minutes. It did level off to around 26 contacts per hour Of course some did



find time to cut up a little bit. But Zak, KK4TBI and Charles, W4DBI managed to maintain a get it done attitude. Darrell, KI4GVZ along with Steve, KA0GMY managed to work a few stations while today Mike, Kd4OKR was the grown up. Hope your Sunday was as fun as ours. As you can see even Kathy, KK4TFC got to play on the mic.



SWARC General Meeting Minutes March 2015

Meeting formally called to order by Mike, KD4OKR, at 7:02

- 1) Introductions
- 2) Treasurer's Report: \$3,196.24
- 3) Membership Report: 91 Members
- 4) Public Service / Special Events: Odyssey of the minds next Saturday at the Wake Tech Community College. Operators needed from 7am-3pm to provide communication support.
- 5) Steve, KA0GMY, has volunteered to be the publisher of the newsletter.
- 6) NC QSO party was March 1st. SWARC's club station made 338 contacts and contacted 64 counties.
- 7) RARSfest in April. We will have two tables. If you want to sell something, drop it off at our booth with the price and a phone number. Contact KD4OKR@gmail.com
- 8) Our May meeting will be an auction.
- 9) June meeting will be elections.
- 10) Field day will be held at the American Legion. Dave, NW3U, is the chairman for that.
- 11) We are raffling off the MFJ 269C. Tickets are 5 dollars.

Treasurer Report

Balance as of 03-02-2015: \$3,196.24

12) Motion for tacos for the next meeting by NW3U, Dan was 2nd. Unanimous

Meeting formally closed at 7:27

Meeting program: presentation by W2XOY on Amateur Radio Historical Highlights.

Submitted by Bryan, KK4TTU.

April Meeting

The April meeting will be a refresher for SKYWARN.

MAY AUCTION

Start looking around your shack for that unused equipment. We will be holding the club auction in May and this will be a great time to clean out that well experienced equipment. I understand this will be a full contact auction so come prepared.

June

This is election time. Be thinking about who can lead us into the future and uphold the standard set by KD4OKR.



Club News and World (LOCAL) Events

Hi everyone as the new editor of the club newsletter I want everyone to know what to expect. I am hoping to have the newsletter out the first weekend after the club meeting. So if you have information you want included then I will need it that weekend. If you take part in a special event the write it up and submit it along with some pictures. We will be happy to include your articles. If you would like to write about something going on in the club (good or bad) we will be happy to include your article. Please remember this is your newsletter and your contributions are appreciated.

Membership Report

Members as of 03-02-2015: 91 paid
members



Club News and
World (local)
Events

Public Service

Please keep an eye out for upcoming reports of public service events happening in our area. In the mean time please check out the web page for these events.

WWW.SOUTHWAKEARC.COM

Net Reports

Nets held every night at 7:30 pm.

*Traders Net on the 1st and 3rd
Tuesday*

*Tech Net on the 2nd and 4th
Tuesday*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President

Mike Ramsey -
KD4OKR

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KK4OSI

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KK4TTU

Treasurer

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Member-At-Large

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KK4HAQ

Member-At-Large

Marvin Friel –
KK4TTL

Member-At-Large

Bobby Chandler –
N4RDC

Membership

Chair

Glenn Crissman ,
N4AZR

APPOINTED

POSITIONS

Net Manager

Adrian Peele -
AJ4NX

Special Events

Director

Gino Fernandini -
KI4YXO

Public Service

Director

Charles Galloway -
W4DBI

NETS

The following nets
take place on the
145.21Mhz
(82.5 Hz)K4ITL
"Blackjack"
Repeater.

Nightly 2m Rag Chew Net

Every night at at
7:30pm

South Wake ARC Traders Net

The 1st and 3rd
Tuesday night of
each month
immediately
following the Nightly
2m Rag Chew Net.

South Wake ARC Tech Net

The 2nd and 3rd
Tuesday night
immediately following
the Nightly 2m Rag
Chew Net

Net Control Operators

Sunday
KENN, KK4OSI

Monday
Adrian, AJ4NX

Tuesday
Steve, KA0GMY

Wednesday
Jim, K9RII

Thursday
Kenny, KJ4CVK

Friday
Mark, NC4MP

Saturday
Julie, BT4JR

Scenes from our meeting



*Mike, KD4OKR pretend-
ing to be in charge while
Ken, KK4OSI talks*

*Only way to show
off the great family
was to include
Darrell, KI4GVZ.
Sorry to April and
her wonderful
daughter*



*BIG UGLY, KA0GMY
checking for messages
and trying to hustle a
few raffle tickets.*

*Just a couple shots from the meeting
that was held 03-02-2015*

*The Newsletter format might change until I find one that I am
comfortable with. Let me know how you like this one.*

Steve, KA0GMY